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Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2015 11:23 AM
To: Stoddard, Jamey
Subject: RE: CHUITNA COAL PDSEIS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW!

Hi,

It sounds like it might be good to check in with management and possibly ORC for a policy and/or legal call on this. Can we be assured that an EJ analysis will be included in the next iteration and that, if it is, we and the public have an undiminished opportunity to comment and spur improving revisions?

It seems that this omission might be perceived—and rightly so—as an attempt to railroad this project through without the requisite and required data, effort and respect for those impacted and the general public.

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Yes, we should chat.

Technically I think they can make the argument that since this is just a preliminary draft (no public review, no formal NEPA rating from us) they don't need to have all the sections complete.

From my view, in order to be compliant with NEPA, the EJ Executive Order, and our NEPA Review Guidance they would be required to include an EJ analysis in the draft SEIS, as that will be going out for formal public review and comment, and will also be formally rated by us under our NEPA 309 authorities.

I'll look for a time for us to get together. Thanks!

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Hi,

Did the Corps have the option to not do an EJ piece or did they simply give themselves an exemption?

Good to meet with you and Erik next week or week after.

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Hi Running-Grass,

That's right, there is no EJ analysis in the preliminary draft. What do you think of getting together with Erik and I in the next week or so to discuss? As you know I sent an email to the Corps stating our concern with this, but they have yet to respond. I think it would be good if we all talked about next steps (meeting/phone call with Corps, developing strong comment(s) during this review re: the need for a robust EJ analysis in the draft, etc.?). What are your thoughts?

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Hi Jamey,

Sounds like there was indeed no EJ section? Correct?

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- For the "Name of Reviewer" I would ask that you just identify yourself as the author of your comments by including you initials right before the text of your comment, for instance: (JS): *The effects analysis for....*

Lastly, please make sure your Outlook calendars are up to date as I will be sending out an invite tomorrow for us all to get together around the middle of the review period. Right now the week after Thanksgiving is looking pretty good for most everyone, in particular Monday Nov 30, and Thursday Dec 3.